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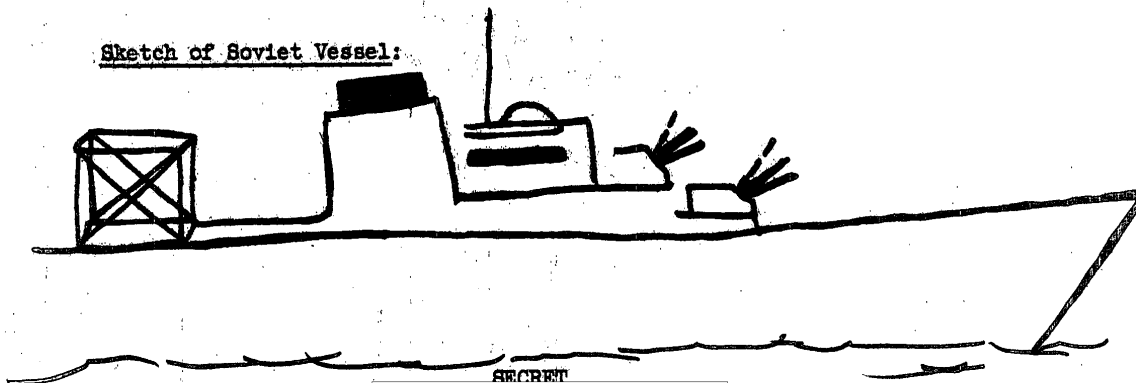
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1. [redacted] a large naval vessel was observed in Leningrad harbor moored to the pier on the west side of the Neva River between the depth [redacted] and approximately directly west of the ends of the slips at the Sudomekh Shipyard. [redacted] could make out with accuracy only the forward half of this vessel (see sketch below). 25X1
2. [redacted] described the vessel as considerably larger than a cruiser of the SVERDLOV-type, [redacted] The vessel lay very high in the water; it had a sharply protruding bow, and two gun turrets. The vessel's bridge complex was of such a form and height that it, together with the gun turrets, gave a step-like silhouette on the after edge of the bridge there was a small mast. Immediately aft of the bridge there was a very large and broad stack, somewhat sloping and equipped with an oblique cowl; somewhat aft of the stack there was a cube-shaped frame with diagonal supports. The bridge complex appeared to be entirely closed-in and to have rounded off forms. The hull was painted in a grayish color, possibly oxidized aluminum anti-corrosive. [redacted] the number of guns in each turret, [redacted] there were three. 25X1

Sketch of Soviet Vessel:



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